

To those committee members who would vote for the further relaxation of media ownership restrictions I say, "Shame on you!" What you're proposing to do is further unravel the very fabric of this great democracy. Already the wealthiest 5% controls the other 95% through socio-economic market manipulations, but in this age, information (and access to it) is still most powerful. If you put this country's information distribution businesses in the hands of fewer and fewer people, then those people are more able to control the populace through selective reporting techniques. You're steering us into the Orwellian nightmare!

But frankly, I'm sure you Republicans don't really give a rat's ass anyway... you've obviously been bought, like the high-dollar street-walkers that you all are, by the media big-wigs. Now you'll do anything they tell you, turning deaf ears to countless American citizens who call, write, and email in protest, even declining to hear the Senate's request for public debate.

What'd they pay you? How many thousands was it worth to sell out your country's governing principles and the basis for fair and unbiased information?